

(up to 10 years), drug trafficking or crimes of violence (up to 20 years), or terrorism (up to 25 years).

New criminal penalties (as much as 20 years in prison and fine up to \$250,000) and civil penalties (up to \$5,000 per incident) would be created for Social Security Administration employees who fraudulently sell or transfer SSNs or Social Security cards.

The bill permits enforcement by the Social Security Administration (which would have civil monetary penalty authority); the Department of Justice (which enforces criminal violations of federal law); and state attorneys general (who would be granted civil enforcement authority over private-sector users and state and local government). In addition, individual victims affected by violations of this bill by federal agencies would be provided with limited legal recourse to stop an agency's violation and recover any actual damages they may have suffered.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. GINNY BROWN-WAITE

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2009

Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3293, the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

I received one project in H.R. 3293.

\$600,000 for the Enrichment Center located at 11375 Cortez Boulevard, Brooksville, FL 34613. This funding will go to build a Community Center/Special Needs Disaster Shelter in Hernando County. The Enrichment Center offers a comprehensive program, which includes health education, recreation, and promotion of ongoing personal growth. The Center serves as the focal point for health information and community services in Hernando County. The cost of this project is being shared by the State of Florida, the Hernando Board of County Commissioners, and the City of Brooksville.

CONGRATULATING NBA CHAMPION LOS ANGELES LAKERS

SPEECH OF

HON. LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 21, 2009

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Los Angeles Lakers, on winning the 2009 National Basketball Association Championship. This is their 15th NBA World Championship title.

I congratulate team owner Dr. Jerry Buss, Coach Phil Jackson, his staff, and the entire Laker organization for their accomplishment in winning basketball's coveted championship trophy. I also congratulate the team's captain, Kobe Bryant, on being named the first recipient of the newly-named Bill Russell NBA Finals Most Valuable Player Award.

A few days after their championship victory, the Lakers and 250,000 of their fans, celebrated with a victory parade through the

streets of Downtown Los Angeles. The parade led to the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum where 100,000 additional fans gathered to commemorate the team's accomplishment. People came from all over Southern California to join in the celebration.

Madam Speaker, the Lakers have such a loyal following not only because they are champions on the court, but because they are champions in the community as well. The team's outreach program, the LA Lakers Youth Foundation, works with community groups to better the lives of children in our community. The Foundation focuses on using sports to promote education, teamwork and self-esteem among Los Angeles area youth by providing financial assistance to children and local youth programs.

As part of their foundation work, the Lakers have created 12 Reading and Learning Centers at youth clubs throughout Los Angeles and Hawaii and they have sponsored several community basketball court renovations each season. The Lakers also participate in the Toyota Project Rebound, a season-long community outreach initiative established by the NBA and Toyota. The program includes 15 hands-on community service projects that are hosted by NBA and WNBA teams. The projects include court refurbishments, the creation of Learn & Play Centers, and other Legacy Projects providing youth safe places to live, learn or play.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in congratulating each member of the 2009 NBA Champion Los Angeles Lakers for their many victories on the court and in the community. They are champions to their sports fans, to beneficiaries of their Foundation, and to the entire Los Angeles community. We thank them for returning the NBA championship trophy where it belongs—the Los Angeles Staples Arena in my congressional district.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ROY BLUNT

OF MISSOURI—

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2009

Mr. BLUNT. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3293, the Department of Labor, Health and Human Services Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2010.

Bill Number: H.R. 3293

Requesting Member: Congressman ROY BLUNT

Priority Name: Ozark Tri-County Healthcare Consortium

Amount: \$500,000

Account: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)—Health Facilities and Services

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Ozark Tri-County Health Care Consortium

Address of Requesting Entity: 4301 Doniphan Drive, Neosho, MO 64850

Description of Request: Funds will be used to complete the construction and expansion of a new facility for a current Federally Qualified Health Center site located in Cassville, MO and to add additional equipment to supple-

ment the expansion. The use of taxpayer funds is justified as the funding will be used to provide health services to people who lack appropriate health care due, chiefly, to economic reasons. The operation of this Federally Qualified Health Clinic will continue to improve the health of the medically underserved in southwest Missouri

Priority Name: Jordan Valley Community Health Center

Amount: \$250,000

Account: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)—Health Facilities and Services

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Advocates for a Healthy Community, Inc

Address of Requesting Entity: 618 N. Benton Ave, Springfield, MO 65806

Description of Request: Funds will be used to complete the lower level of the current building project, located at 440 E. Tampa Street. The lower level will be renovated to increase access to healthcare. This will allow for significant expansion in children's and women's health services, providing greater access to the community to a medical home. The use of taxpayer funds is justified as the funding will be used to provide health services to people who lack appropriate health care due, chiefly, to economic reasons. The operation of this Federally Qualified Health Clinic will continue to improve the health of the medically underserved in southwest Missouri

Priority Name: Joplin School District: e-MINTS

Amount: \$100,000

Account: Elementary & Secondary Education

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Joplin R-VIII School District

Address of Requesting Entity: PO Box 128, Joplin, MO 64802

Description of Request: Funding would be used to provide elementary school students the opportunity to be in either an eMINTS classroom or an eJOPLIN classroom. These classrooms will include one computer for every four students, an LCD projector, a laptop computer for the teacher, a Smart Board, educational software and a networked printer. The use of taxpayer funds is justified because funding will be used to transform classrooms for all learners through high quality teaching powered by technology.

Priority Name: Missouri State University Innovation Academy

Amount: \$150,000

Account: Elementary & Secondary Education

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Missouri State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 901 S. National, Springfield, MO 65804

Description of Request: This funding will be used for the Missouri Innovation Academy, an on-campus summer program for at-risk high school sophomores and juniors from low-income backgrounds.

The academy focuses on recruiting urban and rural students that have had limited exposure to science and math. Particular attention is placed on recruiting students from lower income families. Students live on the Missouri State University campus during the duration of the Academy. The use of taxpayer funds is justified because innovation in math and science will be the key to economic growth in the future. This program will enable students